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REMARKS

Claims 1-10, 12-18, 20, 22-24, 26, and 28 are pending.

Claims 1, 12, and 18 are in independent form.

In the action mailed August 11, 2006, independent claims 1, 12, and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,868,086 to Putzolu et al. (hereinafter "Putzolu") and U.S. Patent No. 6,249,820 to Dobbins et al. (hereinafter "Dobbins").

STATEMENT CONCERNING COMMON OWNERSHIP

The present Application Serial No. 09/608,997 and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/538,331 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,868,086 to Putzolu) were, at the time the inventions of the present Application Serial No. 09/608,997 were made, commonly owned by or commonly subject to an obligation to assign to Intel Corporation.

In further support of this statement, attention is respectfully directed to the enclosed copy of the assignment of present Application Serial No. 09/538,331 and to Reel 010715, Frame 0633 for the assignment of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/538,331.

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Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(c)(1), subject matter developed by another person, which qualifies as prior art only under one or more of subsections (e), (f), and (g) of Section 102, does not preclude patentability under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) where the subject matter and the claimed invention were, at the time the claimed invention was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person. See also M.P.E.P. § 706.02(1).

Since Putzolu qualifies as prior art only under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), and in light of the above statement concerning common ownership, Putzolu cannot properly be relied upon to reject claims in the present application under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Accordingly, the rejections of claims 1, 12, 18, and the claims dependent therefrom cannot be maintained. Applicant thus requests that these rejections be withdrawn.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to

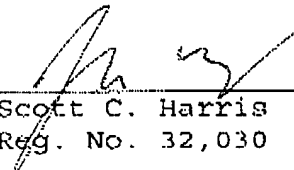
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concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. No fees are believed due at this time. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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For valuable consideration, we, ANAND RANGARAJAN of, SANJAY BAKSHI of Beaverton, OR, SATYENDRA YADAV of Portland, OR, hereby assign to: , a Intel Corporation, a California corporation having a place of business at: 2200 Mission College Blvd, P.O. Box 58119, Santa Clara, California 95052-8119, and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, entitled FORWARDING DATA IN A ROUTING ARCHITECTURE, filed June 30, 2000, and assigned U.S. Serial Number 09/608,997, and we authorize and request the attorneys appointed in said application to hereafter complete this assignment by inserting above the filing date and serial number of said application when known; this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes; and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our name or in its own name for patents, utility models, design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at _____
this 17th day of October, 2000
[Signature] L.S.
ANAND RANGARAJAN

State of _____ :

: ss.

County of _____ :

Before me this _____ day of _____, 20____, personally
appeared ANAND RANGARAJAN known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to
the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed
for the purposes therein contained.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at _____
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Sanjay Bakhshi L.S.
SANJAY BAKSHI

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County of _____ :

Before me this _____ day of _____, 20____, personally
appeared SANJAY BAKSHI known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the
foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed for
the purposes therein contained.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at _____
this 17th day of October, 20 00

SATYENDRA YADAV Syadav L.S.

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Before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____, personally
appeared SATYENDRA YADAV known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to
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